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1. Although the CDU has a new interim leadership it remains the same entity as formerly and will pursue the same policy.
2. The direction of the Party will now be undertaken by a body (Gremium), consisting of the Chairmen of the five Landesverbände of the Eastern Zone and Greater Berlin, under the leadership of Professor Hickmann.
3. As these persons cannot remain permanently in Berlin, a Coordination Committee under Wilhelm Wolf (Potsdam) and Otto Nuschke (Berlin) will be the executive organ of the Gremium. The office affairs of the Zonen vorstand remain in the hands of the General Secretary, Georg Dertinger.
4. Emphasis is placed on the fact that, although the above is only a temporary solution, it is one arrived at by democratic means, even if not one provided for by the present Party Statutes, and in no sense as a result of SIA orders. The SIA had done nothing but make proposals, which were unanimously accepted by the Chairman and Committee of the Landesverbände.
5. Kaiser's attitude to the Volkskongress is criticized. The necessity is pointed out of adopting a "realistic" attitude towards the occupying power and of returning to a progressive policy such as Kaiser originally outlined two years ago. A zonal conference must soon be held to confirm this policy.
6. The desirability is stressed of the formation of an all-zonal CDU (gesamtdeutsche Organisation), and the holding of an all-zonal conference, to show that the CDU is the dominant influence towards German unity. The Party's role must be to create unity and preserve democracy.

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